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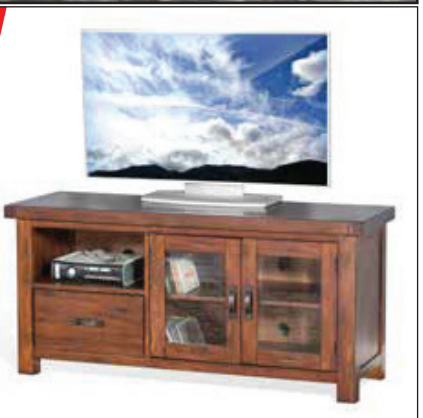

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Leaves his sled at Head Lake
Harness bells get a shake
Tells the deer he'll be back for them soon
Finds a booth at McKeck's
Warming toes will be next
Hali-plaid makes both girls and boys swoon

Some stores are still open
Young Rudolph is hopin'
That carrots are treats for tonight
Haliburton Saint Nick
Hits up Foodland real quick
Buys the veg and a hoodie for flight

Overnight will be Minden
Tells his deer they can sleep then
He'll join all of his crony buds there
Parks behind The Dominion
Shares the common opinion
That it's also a gem, to be fair...

In a sunrise quite rosy
Santa heads to the Kosy
Back to Hali for breakfast and news
Orders coffee and bacon
Feeling nicely awakened
Lines up all of his deer into twos

Feeds them more orange veg
And inspects his whole sledge
'Cause he wants to go sledding some more
Since his old hat's a mess
He stops by V&S
All decked out, Hali Santa can soar!

Merry Christmas, Haliburton County!

By Deborah J Reed

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Head over heels for winter

Maybelle's

Fireside stories

WELL, I CAN'T rightly say that Beanpole Starkman is head over heels for winter, (this winter, anyhoo) but, I surely can say he went head over his own heels down a gully this winter, right on his own property, don'tcha know.

It's not like he woke up last Wednesday morning and decided: "I think I'll do a back flip on greasy snow right off my driveway, down into the gully, and hit my head on a tree stump." Nope, he may not have woken up thinking that, but that's exactly what happened.

Nine staples in his head later …

Why, if ol' Maybelle didn't receive photos emailed to me, taken in the Lake WhaddayathinkImean emergency room by the attending doctor, don'tcha know.

The photo of the gash I had to look away from. The others of Beanpole with his whole head wrapped in gauze, lookin' like Vincent van Gogh after he cut his ear off … (except in Beanpole's case, his whole head was wrapped like he was wearing a baby bonnet tied under his chin) ... now, those photos with him grinning and all made this ol' gal break out in giggles. This of course, was after I learned that according to his doc, he was okey-dokey. Or so they thought.

Why if they didn't have him doing all kinds of tests before sending him home … checking for concussion and all. Like asking him: Can you follow my fingers? Do you feel nauseous? Does your head hurt? To which he said "no" to all and was easily able to follow the doc's fingers with his eyes. And, because Beanpole thought he was fine and dandy, he just continued to be his ol' busy self … lifting things, shovelling, curling … you name it.

But guess what? He was losing things left, right, and centre and it took him three times longer to do some of his work.

Why if he didn't lose his eyeglasses, his cellphone, his left snowshoe, and even his favourite hand-knit scarf made by yours truly, don'tcha know. And for some reason, he didn't put two and two together. He didn't think for a second that his disorientation had anything to do with having hit his head.

Well, when he told me about all this I sent him marching back to the doc. Oh yeah. You don't fool around with a head injury, or any kind of injury for that matter. The answers to the "normal" questions you might be asked may not apply to you. In other words, if you're just not feeling "right" days after an accident … go right back and have yourself checked out … in greater detail.

Our health is too precious not to be vigilant about it. Ol' Maybelle is saying this to you right now, in case something similar happens to you or somebody near and dear. Don't hesitate to find out why you or he or she is not feeling up to snuff.

Now, on a brighter note … Beanpole found his eyeglasses lying in the snow right near where he fell. His cellphone was in his left snowshoe which his two cats, Seymour and Gertrude, decided to move under the stairwell. And the scarf that I knitted for him last Christmas was in the wash with his long johns and thermal winter socks. And after the doc heard that he had continued his activities right after his accident, he told him: "Take it easy. Rest up. You're not a spring chicken, and even if you were, I'd tell you the same thing."

And so he is resting up. And for that, ol' Maybelle is happy.

Now I want you all to enjoy this snowy season, but please do it carefully. Yes, this ol' gal will feel a whole lot happier knowing that you're being especially careful getting around out there, so you can really enjoy the beauty of the holiday season!

Maybelle's Fireside Stories is written by Jerelyn Craden. Jerelyn's novel, "Vessie Flamingo Outshining the Moon," is available at amazon.com.

Blue Christmas service sponsored by churches of Haliburton

"Light in the Darkness" is a Christian-based service being prepared by representatives from various Christian denominations which will include prayers, music and reflections. All who may be experiencing the pain of grief; who find the Christmas season a difficult and sad time are welcome to come on Dec. 9, 2 p.m. at Lakeside Church.

The merry season of Christmas is progressing in the minds of many at this time of year. For some people it is a sad time of the year when they grieve the loss of a loved one in a significant way. The "merry" is nowhere to be felt.

Sharing the loss as we take time to remember those who have died may help in dividing the pain. We can share the burden of loss, as it is carried alongside others. Words of hope in this dark time of the year will be shared. The various churches have been coming together over the past year, with events sponsored by "Church of Haliburton." Pastor Garry Swagerman, a member of the bereavement network says, "It is comforting to know that you are not alone in your grief." He is part of a group from "C of H" creating this event with the thought to accompany those who experience loss. Over the years there have been many other groups and individuals that have carried this message of hope and sharing grief as a way to move through the process of alleviating each individual's pain.

Accompanying someone in the process of grief can be a healing experience even for the person trying to help. Loving your life enough to share with those in need can give us pause in a stressful time of year filled with expectations. Take some time to reduce the rush of the holiday season and join the community gathering for "Light in the Darkness."

The service will be held at Lakeside Baptist Church, Haliburton on Sunday, Dec. 9, at 2 p.m. Refreshments will be served after the service.

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College open house draws students from afar

SUE TIFFIN
County Life Staff

Austin Carter, from Nova Scotia, is moving to Haliburton in January to begin his schooling in the artist blacksmith program at Haliburton School of Art + Design, but he journeyed to the area last weekend to get a sneak peek at what lies in store.

Carter, 21, came to Haliburton from Antigonish with his dad for the school's open house, held Nov. 17. He said he appreciated the natural environment and what he had seen of the town, and that the visit gave him the chance to look for accommodation prior to his upcoming move.

"It's been really good," he said. "The teachers are friendly, the students are friendly, and helpful for finding answers for the questions you aren't thinking about."

Carter, who was able to meet with dean Sandra Dupret, said the visit offered extra reassurance before his start at the school.

Hyla Nemy, who is taking a four-month certificate program in ceramics at HSAD, was working in a studio helping to answer questions of students who came by independently or on tour. She said they'd asked about the studio space and her time at the school.

"I think for a lot of people, it's an investment in time and money," she said. "They want to have the experience of seeing the space."

The school welcomed almost 20 future students and their guests from Nova Scotia, Montreal, and from throughout Ontario including Windsor, Kitchener, Perth, Barrie and Toronto at the open house. Artist blacksmith, jewelry, glassblowing, and digital image design programs begin in January. For more information about programs offered, visit flemingcollege.ca.

Sarah Ward and River Andrews, students in the visual and creative arts diploma program at HSAD, greeted guests to the school's open house last weekend. /SUE TIFFIN Staff

Hyla Nemy, a ceramics student, was at the HSAD open house event last weekend, helping to answer questions of interested guests at the school.

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The folk society invites any local musicians who are interested in any of these performance opportunities to submit an application. The application form can be accessed at www.haliburtonfolk.com, or by contacting Kate Hall at kvhall06@gmail.com. We encourage you to submit your application by Dec. 31 for consideration for all of our events planned for the 2019 calendar year.

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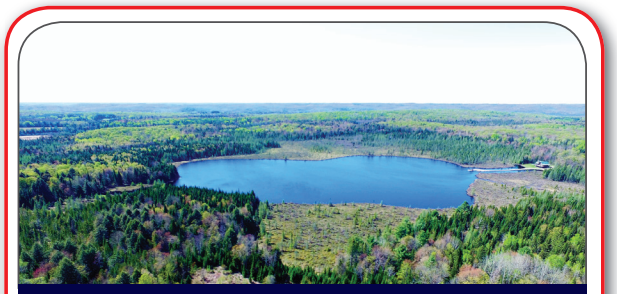

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Top 10 reasons to have pets in winter

PETS ARE A wonderful addition to a family. But there is something particularly great about having a pet in winter. Here are my top 10 reasons.

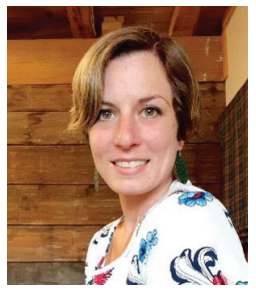
STEVE GALEA
Humour Columnist

1. You never need a hot water bottle.
2. A hamster in each pant leg is a great substitute for long johns.
3. Something has to pull your sled.
4. There's nothing better than a cat to teach the kids about static.
5. It's socially acceptable for a dog to carry a brandy flask.
6. So Santa Claus thinks twice before sneaking down that chimney.
7. If you get snowed in and low on food, there's always the dog biscuits.
8. Who else are you going to dress up as an elf?
9. Pet bears are much more difficult post-hibernation.
10. When that Chihuahua barks you know he's telling you about how much warmer it is in Mexico.

This fawn has been a frequent visitor to Jenn Watt's place in Haliburton.

Buy Close By with gift guide

IT CONTINUES to be a busy time at the chamber as we held many great events for our members during October. We had a series of workshops in the middle of October, and members loved the value they got – they were all free! These events included financial planning 101 for businesses, a panel discussion on mental health with four of our surrounding chambers, a seminar on employee engagement, and several workshops on social media. Lucky for us, we have been able to share this information, including the Facebook 101, employee engagement, and social media marketing presentations, on our website.



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Chamber News

You have probably heard by now that we have a new president at the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce. Andrea Strano has stepped as president, and Richard Wannan has stepped into the past-president role. Andrea will be a wonderful representative of our members and Richard will continue to be a valuable resource to our board of directors. We thank them both for their hard work and dedication to the chamber!

The other thing we are so excited about is the December Chamber Breakfast and Networking Event. We have booked Jamie Schmale, our MP for Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock, to speak at our event on Dec. 4. It is going to be a popular one, so I encourage anyone who is interested to register soon – the deadline is Nov. 29! The event will be held at Medeba in West Guilford, the cost for non-members is $25 and the cost for members is $20.

The final piece of my work lately is our #BuyCloseBy Holiday Gift Guide that has just been launched on Nov. 13. The #BuyCloseBy project is designed to make everyone more aware of the great local businesses we have across the Highlands, and the Holiday Gift Guide is doing just that. Every Tuesday from now until Christmas, we are going to be posting a new blog on our website that will help you to #BuyCloseBy for your family and friends. Each week will be a different category, such as Gifts for the Haliburton County Lover and Gifts for the Outdoor Enthusiast.

Overall, it continues to be an exciting time at the Haliburton Highlands chamber of Commerce, with many local organizations coming on to take advantage of the benefits of membership and planning wonderful events for our members! To register for our December breakfast, to check out the Holiday Gift Guide, or just to keep up-to-date on all things chamber, follow us on social media or go to www.haliburtonchamber.com.

November Sky

Vein of black River bleeding between banks
laden with snow,
a fallen limb clogging its flow.
Dusk cloaking November Sky,
smoke choking the Air,
as I shiver on the bank beneath a sliver of Moon,
watching the water froth around the rocks,
as the first bell tolls,
echoing in the hills where the skeletons of trees
clatter,
their bones remembering,
the earth quivering beneath a membrane of snow,
as it did a century ago, cradling the roots of saplings
that sprouted and grew,
their branches shading the River,
that's older than the trees,
its flow holding the memory of those
who splashed in its current,
pelted its skin with stones,
the future flashing in their eyes like the fish slipping
through their fingers,
releasing them back into the River that never rests.
The sound of the bells seeping into its flow,
as ghosts float through the branches of willows,
the whorls on their fingertips imprinted in the bark,
their roots tethering them to Home
when they went Away,
dreaming of the day they would lay
by the River again,
its flow bathing their ears.
A century of Rain and Wind and scorch and Snow
cannot muffle their memory,
as I listen beneath this bowl of Sky,
to the bells toll for the millions who never grew old,
never returned to tramp in the forest
or swim in the River
or walk the road that led them Away that day,
the saplings that saluted them,
now fortresses for birds,
building nests in their branches, new ones hatching,
then flying Away.
A seagull glides across charcoal Sky,
amplifying the silence the bells leave behind.
I watch 'till it flaps past the tops of trees,
wondering whether it's returning Home.
I stand here, a scribble, on the bank,
beneath the glow of Moon, for a moment longer,
just listening to the River flow,
inhaling Air that smells of snow,
grateful to them that I can.

Sylvie Kalenda

Stores offer incentives to shop locally

JENN WATT
County Life Editor

A crowd gathered in anticipation of Pharmasave re-opening for the annual Ladies Night featuring discounts and special offers at Minden stores last November. This year's Minden Ladies Night is Nov. 29. The Haliburton Ladies Night is Dec. 6./DARREN LUM Staff

Every time you shop at one of Haliburton's downtown merchants, you will have a chance to win a trip for two to Puerto Plata, Dominican Republic, or $1,000 cash.

The Haliburton BIA launched its annual holiday shopping contest Buy In And Win on Thursday, which is their way "of saying thanks" to those who spend their dollars at downtown businesses, says BIA administrator Cindy Campbell.

You can cast a ballot at all of the 120 member businesses in Haliburton's downtown, including services such as banks, insurance companies and dentists, along with the retail locations.

Last year there were thousands of ballots cast with Margaret Turney being the lucky recipient of a trip to Mexico. She filled out her ballot at Haliburton Foodland.

This year's contest will award the winner an all-inclusive trip for two through Transat Travel Haliburton. The winner can also choose to take $1,000 cash instead of the trip.

The contest closes Sunday, Dec. 23 with the winning ballot drawn on Monday, Dec. 24 at noon live on Moose FM. The winner will be notified by phone.

The Christmas shopping season "means everything" to the success of the local economy, Campbell says.

Strong sales in November and December spins off into the community through employing staff, giving to charity, sponsoring kids' sports or local events. Money made locally tends to stay local.

#BuyCloseBy

According to information released by the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce, for every $1 spent at a local business, $7 makes its way into the local economy through other purchases and taxes.

Redirecting even a small percentage of planned online shopping to a local equivalent can have a major impact.

To help spread the word and encourage shopping locally, the chamber is promoting the hashtag #BuyCloseBy. Add this to your posts about visiting Haliburton Highlands shops and service providers to encourage others to spend more at home.

An online gift guide is also being released one week at a time until Christmas on the chamber's website. Go to haliburtonchamber.com and click "#buycloseby."

Ladies Nights in Minden and Haliburton

The towns of Minden and Haliburton are each hosting Ladies Night soon.

The first is in Minden on Thursday, Nov. 29. Downtown businesses will be offering deals and refreshments with various incentives for shoppers. For many businesses, the fun starts at 5 p.m. and goes until 8 p.m. However, hours vary so be sure to check in with your favourite shop or restaurant before heading out.

Haliburton's Ladies Night is planned for Thursday, Dec. 6. To give people an extra special reason to come to town, the BIA has put together a passport program. Shoppers take their passports to five of the 18 participating shops and have them validated. Take your completed passport to Haliburton Foodland before 7:30 p.m. for a chance to win one of five $100 Haliburton Foodland gift cards. No purchase necessary.

The BIA is also hosting a warming station in front of the Village Barn in the centre of town with free hot chocolate and shopping bags for ladies.

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Historical photos from around Haliburton County

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Auxiliary announces quilt raffle winner

The Haliburton Hospital Auxiliary announced the winner of this year's quilt raffle. First prize was the quilt made by the Haliburton Quilt Guild and the winner was Pat Jones of Kushog Lake. The second prize of the Christmas quilt made and donated by Lorraine Kneeshaw was won by Doug Etherington, a cottager on Lake Kashagawigamog. The raffle raised $1,600 and the auxiliary thanks everyone who purchased tickets for their support. From left, Donna Hackwood, auxiliary member; Jacqui Clarkson, auxiliary president; and Pat Jones. /Photo submitted

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We also recommend keeping your vehicle's maintenance up to date, especially in the winter months. Keeping your vehicle systems working properly will help ensure you don't get left out in the cold. Ask us about our **Winter Maintenance Inspection:** Our Certified Service technicians will do a thorough Multi-Point Inspection of your vehicle, including checking your vehicle's battery, brakes, lights, heating & cooling system and more. We will also complete a complete vehicle alignment check which will help ensure that your tires aren't trying to pull you in different directions on slippery roads.

Last but not least, drivers should prepare a winter driving kit to carry with you for the season. Be sure to include warm clothes, a cell phone charger, a small shovel, a bag sand or cat litter for traction if you get stuck in the snow, flash lights and batteries, a first aid kit and jumper cables.

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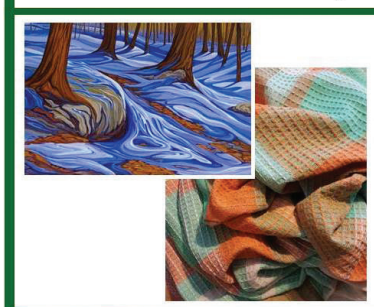

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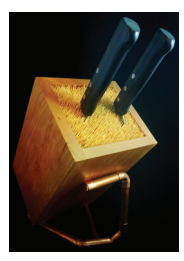

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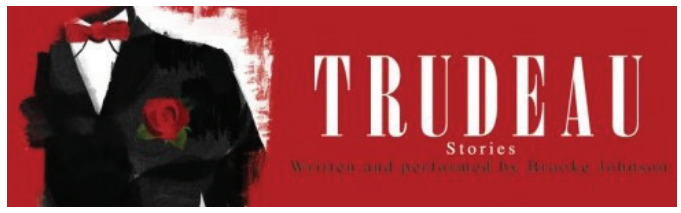
MARY POPPINS

June 30 (7:30 p.m.), July 1 (2 p.m.)
July 2-4 (7:30 p.m.), 5 & 7 (2 p.m. matinee), 8 & 9 (7:30 p.m.)

Music and lyrics by Richard M. Sherman and Robert B. Sherman
Be prepared to be swept away when the musical Mary Poppins captures your heart in a whole new way! The irresistible story and unforgettable songs are on stage this summer presented by the Highlands Summer Festival. Everyone's favourite nanny swoops in to teach the Banks family a lesson or two about love and imagination. They learn a great deal about each other from Mary, who has the uncanny ability to turn everything upside down and, miraculously, just right. Like the nanny herself, you'll fall in love all over again with the practically perfect classic songs like 'A Spoonful of Sugar', 'Chim Chim Cher-ee', 'Let's Go Fly a Kite' and 'Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious' come to life in the beloved musical. **Youth pricing ($20/seat, 18 & under) for all three matinee performances.**

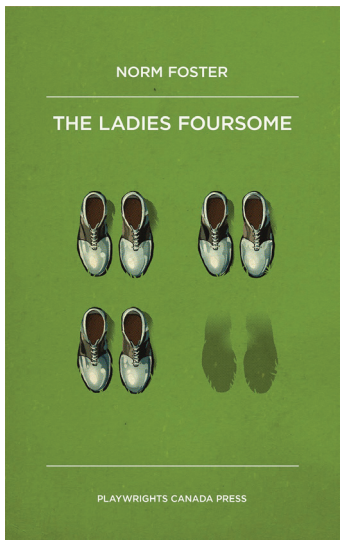
Brooke Johnson's



TRUDEAU STORIES

July 10 & 11 (7:30 p.m.), 12 (2 p.m. matinee)

Written and performed by Brooke Johnson
A remarkable story of a surprising friendship, this solo show has been affecting audiences and wowing critics across the country since it premiered at Toronto's Summerworks Theatre Festival in 2007. In 1985, while she was a student at the National Theatre School in Montreal, Brooke Johnson became friends with Pierre Elliott Trudeau. Through reminiscences, journal entries and correspondence, Brooke gives us a personal insight into the man and the times that is "not to be missed". At once vital and charming; poignant and very funny, Trudeau Stories is about friendship and loss ... and about who the heck we think we are.



THE LADIES FOURSOME

July 29-Aug (7:30 p.m.), 2 & 4 (2 p.m. matinee),
Aug 6-8 (7:30 p.m.)

By Norm Foster
Imagine Sex and the City on a golf course! Canada's best-loved storyteller, Norm Foster, is back, this time with hijinks on the links in The Ladies Foursome. It's the day after the funeral, and three women gather for a round of golf in honour of their recently departed fourth. They are joined at the tee by an old friend of the deceased and many surprises, secrets and confessions come to the surface during this hilarious and heartwarming round of golf. Absolutely no topic is off limits with this foursome as they take on the challenges of the course ... and each other. As raucous, rowdy, and hilarious a journey as you've ever been on, don't miss this newest must-see comedy hit!

SIX DANCE LESSONS IN SIX WEEKS

July 15-18 (7:30 p.m.) 19 & 21 (2 p.m. matinee),
22 & 23 (7:30 p.m.)

By Richard Alfieri
Lily, an aging but formidable retiree, hires Michael, an acerbic dance instructor, to give her dance lessons in her condo in St. Petersburg Beach, Florida. Antagonism between a gay man and the wife of a Southern Baptist minister gives way to profound compatibility as they swing dance, tango, foxtrot, and cha-cha while sharing barbs and intimacies along with the dance steps. What Michael learns about Lily during the sixth lesson will require him to share his greatest gifts - loyalty and compassion. A comedy with music, dance and surprises.

TORQ PERCUSSION QUARTET

July 24 & 25 (7:30 p.m.), 26 (2 p.m. matinee)

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The Highland Storm Peewees were collecting food for the food bank during the parade.

Gord Kidd sang Christmas tunes at the tree lighting ceremony preceding the parade on Friday evening. There was hot chocolate and balloons for kids.

Welcoming Santa

Dysart et al's Andrea Mueller waves to the crowds on Highland Street during the Santa Claus Parade on Nov. 23 in Haliburton. /JENN WATT Staff

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First flu case confirmed for region

Flu season is officially here, with the first lab-confirmed case of influenza showing up in this region.

According to the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit, the first locally-acquired influenza case of the 2018/19 flu season has been confirmed in a person living in the health unit region (the City of Kawartha Lakes, Northumberland County and Haliburton County). The local finding is no surprise, say local health officials, given that influenza activity is increasing in many parts of Canada.

"Typically, we see flu activity start to ramp up in mid- to late-November, and that is what we are again experiencing this year," says Marianne Rock, manager, health protection division, with the HKPR District Health Unit. "Now that we know flu is circulating in our area, we encourage local residents to take precautions and protect themselves and their loved ones from becoming sick."

Getting the flu vaccine is highly recommended for anyone six months of age and older since it is one of the best ways to fight influenza, Rock adds. Locally, people can get the flu vaccine from their health care providers or pharmacy. A full list of pharmacies offering flu shots in the area is available on the health unit's website (www.hkpr.on.ca).

"Getting the flu vaccine early enough is important, as it can take a week or two for the antibodies to develop in the body to offer full protection against influenza," Rock says. "With the holiday season on the horizon, getting the flu vaccine is also advised to stay healthy and reduce the spread of illness when getting together with family or friends."

To further stop the spread of flu, the health unit also recommends people:

- Wash their hands thoroughly and often.
- Sneeze and cough into their sleeves.
- Stay home from work and school if they are sick.
- Keep their body's immune system strong by eating well, getting sufficient sleep and being physically active on a regular basis.

Influenza virus spreads mainly from person to person through coughing or sneezing. People can become infected by touching objects or surfaces with flu viruses on them and then touching their eyes, mouth or nose. Flu symptoms include fever, chills, cough, sore throat, headache, muscle aches and extreme weakness and fatigue. Individuals who are most vulnerable to flu include older adults, very young children and people with compromised immune systems.

"Can you spot the long-eared owl?" asks Belinda Gallagher who snapped this photo of the seldom seen bird camouflaged by the trees and leaves at her home in Highlands East.

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Winter driving tips from the OPP

Winter weather conditions are coming and the Bancroft Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police would like to remind motorists that adverse weather conditions put extra demands on you as a driver and on your vehicle's performance.

Stay alert. Slow down. Stay in control. These are three key elements to safe winter driving. Motorists are advised of the following safety tips to help everyone arrive at their destination safely.

Drive according to current road and weather conditions. Reduce your speed when adverse weather conditions arise.

Keep a safe distance between your vehicle and the vehicle in front of you. Remember, longer stopping distances may be required.

Be able to see and be seen. Clean frost and snow off all windows, mirrors, and lights.

Consider installing four winter tires on your vehicle, install good wiper blades and keep an ample supply of windshield washer fluid in your vehicle

Give yourself extra time to reach your destination. Consider postponing or cancelling your trip if the weather does not improve.

The following is a list of some recommended items to carry in your vehicle:

- A charged cell phone in case of an emergency
- An ice scraper, snow brush, a small shovel, sand, salt or other traction aid
- Booster cables, road flares, fuel line anti-freeze, and tow rope
- Extra clothing and footwear, a blanket, high energy non-perishable food, matches and a candle
- Flashlight, small tool kit, first aid kit

To check on road conditions before your trip you can call 5-1-1. The Ministry of Transportation's Traveller Information Services provides road information for provincial highways in Ontario by telephone at 5-1-1 or online with accessible information on the MTO Ontario 511 website at www.ontario.ca/511.

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Take part in the Minden Christmas Bird Count

The first wild turkey, a single bird, was recorded on the Minden Christmas Count in 1999. By 2012, a record number of 280 were found. / Photo by E Poropat.

ED POROPAT

Special to *County Life*

It is truly remarkable to see how far we've progressed and how much we've learned about population dynamics in birds over the decades. In 1967, the late George Scott and former Minden resident Dennis Barry conducted the first Minden Christmas Bird Count for the National Audubon Society. They were the only two participants and they tallied a total of 19 species. Much has changed since those early days. The Minden Christmas Bird Count has taken place every year since 1967, due mostly to the dedication of naturalist Dennis Barry. The count has since recorded a total of 104 species, has regularly had over 25 field participants, and as many as 54 feeder watchers.

A Bit of History

The Christmas Bird Count was not always what it seems! Before the 20th century, hunters would partake in a holiday tradition where they would compete with others to shoot as many birds as possible on Christmas Day. As bird numbers declined, ornithologist Frank Chapman initiated an alternative event meant to count birds instead of killing them. And so, the first Christmas Bird Count was born in 1900. Today, over 2,000 counts take place in the Western Hemisphere, with tens of thousands of volunteers participating across North America. These citizen scientists gather invaluable information that assist researchers and biologists in gaining a deeper understanding of the long-term health of bird populations.

How Does the Minden Count Work?

To provide a meaningful count each year, it is important to use a standardized area. Consequently, every count has a designated circle with a diameter of 24 km that is used every year. The Minden Count area stretches from Moore Falls and Kinmount in the south, to Mountain Lake in the north, from Bob Lake in the west to Lochlin and Irondale in the east. This circle is further subdivided, with field teams covering the different areas (as well as feeder watchers monitoring their bird feeding stations from the warmth of their homes). The goal is to count as many species and individuals as possible within the circle in a 24 hour period. Most people realize that bird numbers fluctuate year to year, depending almost exclusively on food supply. But, over the long-term and using data gleaned from Christmas Counts, scientists are able to track declines in species over time, or even shifts in range due to climate change. Your participation makes this all possible.

This Year's Christmas Count – Saturday, Dec. 15

The 52nd Minden Christmas Bird Count is already promising to be interesting. This year, the cone crop on conifers is very poor across most of the north (after an excellent crop last year). Consequently, arctic and boreal bird species have already begun to push south in search of food. You may have already noticed common redpolls feeding on weeds in fields and along the roadsides. Some will almost certainly begin searching out nyger feeders, while others will continue moving south. Look for very pale individuals among the flocks, indicating a possible hoary redpoll. Beautiful, bright yellow evening grosbeaks and stunning rose pink pine grosbeaks have made their return after being largely absent for several years. You may see the former species in search of maple or ash keys, while the latter are often found snacking on fruit trees such as crab apples, or cherries. Both will visit feeders with black oil sunflower seeds. Providing suet will help sustain several species through the long, difficult winter – woodpeckers, nuthatches, chickadees, and even the declining Canada jay appreciate the energy that the fat provides.

With the lack of food in the woods, many of our local species have departed for warmer, richer climes. Blue jays flew south in enormous numbers this fall, as did red-breasted nuthatches and purple finches. A few

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Highlands to Go Digital with Square

SMALL BUSINESS OWNERS across the region are being invited to take part in Digital Cottage Country, a first-of-its-kind initiative, to help businesses across Ontario's Haliburton Highlands modernize the way they run their businesses.

Local MP Jamie Schmale, leaders in the Highlands small business community, business owners and Square's Head of Canada Cathy Vigrass came together in October to discuss the challenges facing small businesses in the area.

"Running a business is hard and we learned it's even harder in cottage country areas that are highly seasonal, have unreliable internet connectivity, limited access to financial services, and where sales can happen just about anywhere," said Cathy Vigrass, Head of Canada at Square.

Addressing these challenges with accessible digital tools is at the heart of Digital Cottage Country. With Square's payments tools, there are no monthly fees, sellers can swipe without an internet signal in Offline Mode, see deposits in their bank account the next business day and portable readers allow businesses to sell anywhere — whether on the go or at a counter.

The offer is not just available to retail businesses — business owners from contractors to cafe owners, furniture makers to festival organizers, boat rental managers to breweries can sign up with Square.

More information about the tools, resources and business support offered through Digital Cottage Country is available online at digitalcottagecountry.ca.

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If you're a local business owner, sign up for Square in minutes online at squ.re/highlands, and receive your free Square Reader worth $59. As part of Digital Cottage Country, you'll also get free processing for your first $2,500 of transactions, to be redeemed within the first 180 days. Square then charges 2.65% per credit card transaction or 10¢ for Interac FLASH (debit tap) transactions made using Square Reader, and 2.9% + 30¢ for transactions via invoice or online.

MP Schmale Lends His Support

LOCAL MP JAMIE Schmale encourages businesses to consider taking part in Digital Cottage Country. "I'm very pleased to see companies like Square focusing on the needs of rural and cottage country businesses and supporting economic growth through the Digital Cottage Country initiative," said Jamie.

Don't Just Take Our Word for It…

WENDY AND ADRIAN Vargas have a busy food truck business called Mega Munch in Haliburton. They started their business with Square in May 2018. Here's their story.

Wendy and Adrian love a variety of different foods and wanted to provide breakfast and lunch with a twist on family recipes that is affordable for everyone.

Running a business is a lot of hard work with a lot of long hours. When it comes to payments, Wendy and Adrian wanted to get started quickly and make it easy for their customers to pay in the ways they prefer, like tapping their cards. Wendy says, "We always tell our customers, we're high tech in Haliburton with Square!"

After their first summer in business, Wendy and Adrian already have plans to expand their business. Stay tuned!

Keep an eye out for hungry owls

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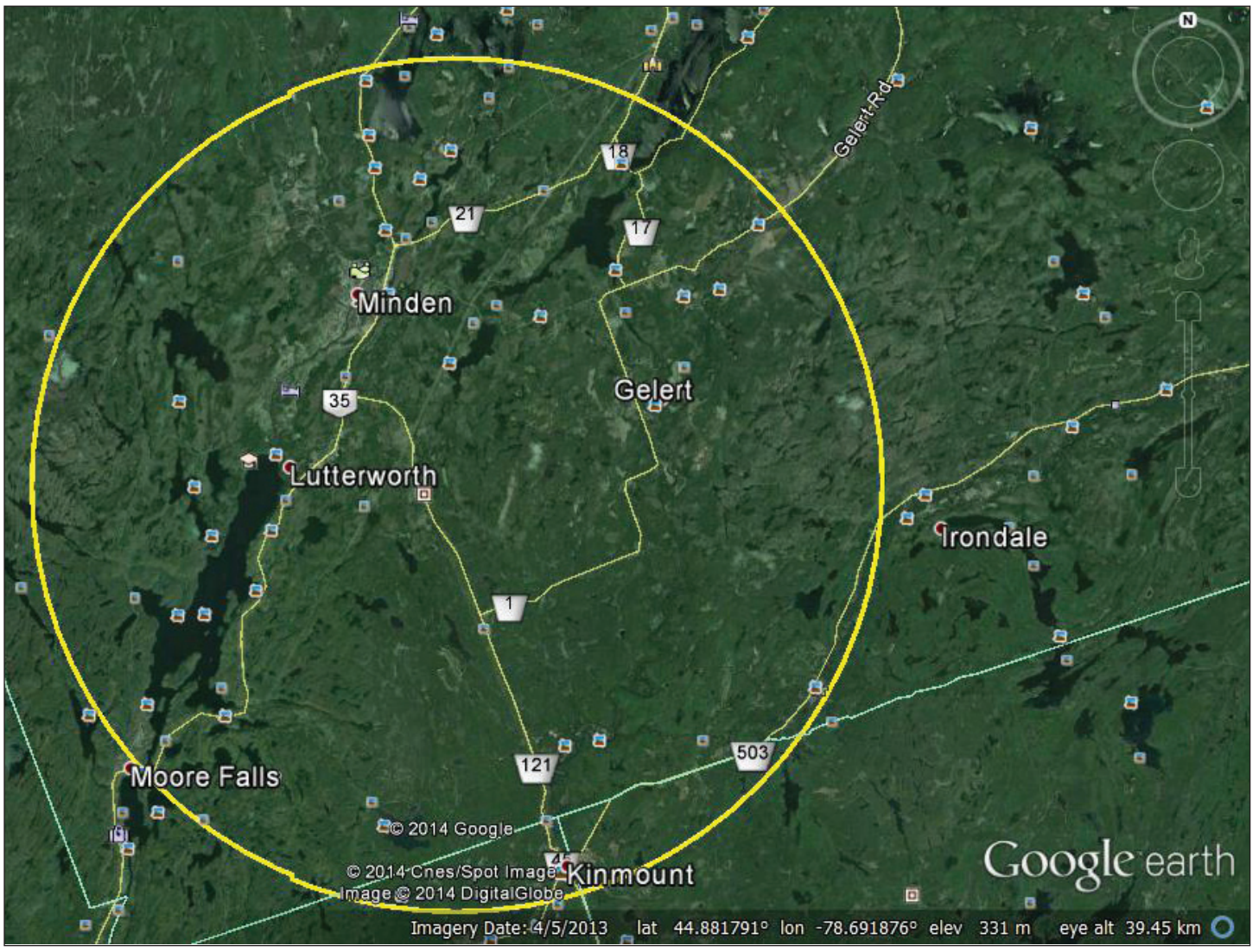
will linger for the count, but most have departed until the spring. The early freeze will also have an effect, particularly on waterfowl. Although there are still a few loons, grebes, and ducks around, most will undoubtedly depart soon if the temperatures continue to be below normal.

The excellent conifer cone crop in 2017 will have other effects locally. With so much food in the woods last year, rodents produced many offspring. This spike in rodent numbers, in turn, caused owls and raptors to produce more young. This year is different, however. With little food in the forest, rodents will be looking for seeds under bird feeders, and of course, the raptors will follow. Keep a close eye in the yard around the feeders this year, as hungry barred owls (and possibly even rare boreal owls) look to capture their furry prey.

Keeping feeders well stocked in the coming month will benefit both birds and counters, as we approach the Minden Christmas Bird Count. If you would like to participate as a field counter or a feeder watcher, please contact Ed Poropat at 705-457-3018 or email at ed.barb@sympatico.ca.

To report birds at your feeder, phone 705-286-1189 between 5 and 7 p.m. on Dec. 15, or phone Ed on Dec. 16. Alternatively, you can e-mail your results to Ed or mail them to 71 Dean Court, Box 1204, Haliburton, ON, K0M 1S0.



The Minden Count Circle stretched 24 km across, from Moore Falls to Lochlin. /Photo provided by Ed Poropat

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UPCOMING Community Events

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Upcoming Events

Christmas Luncheon
When: Friday, Nov. 30, 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
Where: Our Lady of Fatima Church, 7 Bobcaygeon Rd. Minden
Bucket draw, bake sale, Santa squares.
Admission $5 (snow date, Dec. 1)
Snow date is December 1st

Maple Lake Bake Sale
When: Saturday, Dec. 1 at 10 a.m.
Where: West Guilford Community Centre
To guarantee your pie choice, pre-order with Merrie Barry (705-754-2258).

Santa's Workshop Craft Sale and Lunch
When: Saturday, Dec. 1, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Where: Lloyd Watson Community Centre, Wilberforce
The Wilberforce Heritage Guild invites you to their annual Christmas craft sale. Come browse unique and one-of-kind items. "Buy close by" from the many area vendors. Members of St. Margaret's Anglican church will have lunch available.

Gord Kidd & Friends, Brad Sales & Ian Pay at the Minden Legion
When: Saturday, Dec. 1, 2 to 5 p.m.
Where: Minden Legion
Light lunch available, 12 to 2 p.m., Christmas Bazaar and Bake Sale
No cover charge

Highlands Festival Singers
Deck the Halls with Songs and Laughter is a fun concert featuring the lighter side of Christmas music. When: Sunday, Dec. 2 at 3 p.m. and Tuesday, Dec. 4 at 7:30 p.m.
Where: Haliburton United Church, 10 George Street, Haliburton (corner of George and Pine)
Ticket Price: $15 General Admission
Tickets available at Cranberry Cottage, Haliburton, Minden Pharmasave, Minden, or by calling 705 457 4916

Haliburton Pastoral Charge
When: Sunday, Dec. 2 – First Sunday of Advent 10:00 a.m. singing; 10:30 a.m. service
Where: Lochlin United Church, 1050 Lochlin Rd., Minden
Joint Pastoral Charge Communion Service

A Christmas Carol
When: Wednesday, Dec. 5 at 7:30 p.m. and Saturday, Dec. 8 at 2:30 p.m.
Where: St. George's Anglican Church
Presented by Highlands Little Theatre and Haliburton Highlands Museum with live music by the Christmas Carol Choir.
Tickets are $10 and can be purchased at Master's Book Store, Haliburton; Sassy Digs, Minden or Haliburton Highlands Museum. A portion of the proceeds to Fuel For Warmth.

Minden: Community Christmas Luncheon
When: Thursday, Dec. 6, noon to 2 p.m.
Where: Minden Legion
$19. Hosted by Community Support Services (HHHS). Entertainment, turkey dinner with dessert, tea and coffee. Call 705-457-2941 to order your tickets. RSVP by Nov. 23.

Haliburton Highlands Land Trust Open House and Enviro-Hero Awards
When: Thursday, Dec. 6, 1 to 4 p.m.
Where: HHLT Office, 739 Mountain St. Haliburton
Enviro-Hero Awards announced at 2 p.m.
Drop in, enjoy a snack, and say hello!

Kinmount Christmas in the Village
When: Sat. Dec. 8
Free Family Fun! Breakfast with Santa St. James Anglican Church,
Farmer's Market & Crafts for Kids at Kinmount Community Centre,
Kinny Elf Hunt – Find Kinny and receive an Instant Prize at 13 locations,
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Christmas Music Night
Presenting Christmas music by Frank & Chanda Leahy & Family
When: Saturday, December 8, 2018, 7 p.m.
Where: Galway Hall
Tickets: $15 Christmas Loonie Auction, Desserts
For more information or to reserve tickets contact Diane Austin 488-2635 or Joyce Brown 488-2687. Sponsored by the Kinmount Committee for Planning and Economic Development.

Legion Events

Branch 636 Minden
Monday – Thursday Lunch 12 to 2 p.m.
Tuesday Special liver day, regular menu also.
Friday 12 to 2 p.m. and 5 to 7 p.m., Fish, Chicken Wings, Fries and Onion Rings.
Daily events:
Monday 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Haliburton Highlands Rug Hookers. (every two weeks)
Tuesday 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Senior art group. 1 to 4 p.m., Bid Euchre,
Wednesday 12 - Meat Draws, 4 butcher quality meats for $1 a ticket. 1 to 4 p.m., Ladies Darts, 5 to 7 p.m. Calorie Counters.
Thursday 7 p.m. Darts. 7 p.m. Euchre
Friday Every second week, Karaoke with Fred and Linda, 7:30 to 11:30 p.m.
Saturday Special Lunch every week with meat Draw at 1 p.m.
Sunday Sports Day 12 to 4:30 p.m.

Branch 624, Wilberforce
Friday Fish & Chips 5 to 7 p.m.
Saturday Meat Draw - Early Bird - 3 p.m.
L.A. Wildlife dinner 5 to 7 p.m. $20
Sunday Closed
Monday Bid Euchre 7 p.m. Beginners welcome
Wednesday Fun Darts 7:30 p.m.
Everyone welcome.
Upcoming events
Dec 31 - New Year's Dance and Buffet.
Live band "Duel Exhaust" Country/Classic Rock/50's/Down East Music
Having an event. Book our hall and have LA cater for you. They do a great job.
705-448-2221
Want to get involved? Please let myself 705-727-2417 or the legion 705-448-2221 know if you can help.

Branch 129, Haliburton
Dave Allen, PRO 705-457-2571
Mondays: Bridge every Monday at 1 p.m.
Tuesdays: Tuesday Night Dart League starting at 7pm
Wednesdays: Bid Euchre 1 p.m. start
Bingo Doors open at 6 p.m. Bingo starts at 7 p.m. - $500 Jackpot, $1,000 Jackpot - last Wednesday of the month.
Thursdays: General Meeting third Thursday of the month, Mar throught Dec., starting at 7 p.m. All members urged to attend.
Ladies Auxiliary last Thursday of the month at 1 p.m.
Fridays: Cribbage 1 p.m. start, Meat Draw Five Draws, Five Prizes each draw, First draw at 4:30 p.m., last draw - 6:30 p.m.
Tickets are $2 per draw. Chester Howse, MC
Friday fun darts - 4:30 p.m. onwards
Saturdays: 50/50 Draw 4 p.m. draw, Tickets are $1 each from noon onwards
Sundays: Breakfast Second and fourth Sunday of the month – 9:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. $6 per person.
Occasional volunteers are needed.
Whether you're planning a function for 10 or 200, for more information call the Legion today at (705) 457-2571, email rcl129@bellnet.ca or visit haliburtonlegion.com Come on out and support Haliburton Legion Branch 129. Everyone is welcome!

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THE ROTARY CLUB OF HALIBURTON
Haliburton Rotary Community
Christmas & Skating Party
Friday, December 7th, 2018
5:00 pm – 8:00 pm
A.J. LaRue Arena, Haliburton
Bring the Whole Family for an Evening of Festive Fun!
Skating Music Hot Cocoa Pizza & Treats Games Prizes
Presents for all the kids! Bring your camera for a picture with Santa!
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Enter to Win 1 of 6 Turkey Gift Certificates!
Draw to be held at 7:30 pm
SKATING: 5pm – 7pm
LIVE CHRISTMAS MUSIC:
with Chad Ingram: 6pm – 7pm
SHOOT TO WIN:
6:30pm – 7pm
PIZZA & GOODIES:
6:30pm – 8pm
VISIT SANTA: 7pm – 8pm

Minden
Community Christmas Basket
For Minden & Area Families
In Need of Assistance At Christmas
All Christmas Baskets will be distributed on
Thursday, December 20, 2018 from 1pm -3pm
at the Minden Community Center.
All Christmas Baskets are to be pick up by the applicant. Please have identification with you.
"We thank you for your support"
Those families requesting a Christmas basket are asked to register by phone (705-286-6400)
from Monday, December 3
to Friday, December 7
from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m or
Monday, December 10
to Friday, December 14
from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m
Don't get caught without a basket because you forgot to register!
If you would like to donate gifts, non-perishable food items or make a financial contribution please drop off at the Minden Community Center on December 18th and 19th.
Please make cheques payable to the Minden Food Bank

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VALERIE KUINKA General Director

RICHARD MARGISON Artistic Director

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2019 PERFORMANCES

Highlands Opera Studio was establish in 2007 by internationally acclaimed Canadian tenor and Officer of the Order of Canada, Richard Margison, along with former Metropolitan Opera stage director, Valerie Kuinka, as a professional training and performing arts organization offered *free of charge* to young, highly qualified, emerging professional Canadian singers & pianists aged 19 - 35 making the transition from University-level training, to the professional world of opera, both on the national and international level. The 20-25 participants are chosen annually through a rigorous competitive audition process.

International participants are also welcome to apply and, if accepted, are charged a fee for participation. The cost to HOS is approximately $9000 per participant and fundraising is an ongoing and primary focus.

In the words of General and Artistic Directors, Valerie Kuinka and Richard Margison:

"We have been embraced by the community of the Haliburton Highlands, and are so grateful to so many individuals and organizations who have helped us along the way. Our volunteers are the backbone of our existence in the region, and, although we always have room for more people, we are thankful for those that give so much of their time and energy.

We have witnessed many audience members moved to tears by the shear beauty and power of the trained human voice in our intimate performance venues ... a surprise to many who thought they knew opera!

We want to continue building on our growing reputation as an organization where one can hear and see the best young voices Canada has to offer in excellent professional productions in an intimate, interactive performance environment unlike anywhere else, featuring and promoting the beauty and resources that the region has to offer."

Highlands Opera Theatre (producers of Highlands Opera Studio) is a registered charity. We are always in need of additional support in all areas of our activities. Any amount of donation would be most gratefully accepted and a tax receipt promptly issued.

MASTERCLASSES

RICHARD MARGISON MASTERCLASSES

Meet the 2019 HOS participants, and listen in on what makes a good young professional singer even better!

July 25, 26, & 27 | 7pm

St. George's Anglican Church, Haliburton, 25 & 26;
Location TBA, 27

CONCERTS

OPERA TO BROADWAY

July 31 | 8pm

St. George's Anglican Church, Haliburton

POP GOES THE OPERA!

A mixture of opera and musical theatre favourites.

August 3rd | 8pm

Minden United Church

CELEBRATIONS!

Celebrating Offenbach, Leoncavallo, and others.
A mixture of operetta, opera, & musical theatre.

August 7th | 8pm | St. George's Anglican Church, Haliburton

ART OF SONG

Imagine yourself in the salons of past centuries, and enjoy the unique beauty of exquisite poetry brought to life through voice & piano. Various languages, including English.

August 10th | 8pm

St. George's Anglican Church, Haliburton

ALUMNI CONCERT

Hear singers from previous years in opera and musical theatre favourites!

August 20th | 8pm

St. George's Anglican Church, Haliburton

COMMUNITY MONDAYS

July 29th, August 5th & 12th | 7pm

OPERAS

WOMEN IN OPERA: THEN & NOW

Puccini's 'Suor Angelica' (50 minutes, fully-staged, w/English Surtitles) followed by **selections of newly created works** from winners of a new prize, created by Musique 3 Femmes, honouring emerging Canadian women composers and librettists.

August 15th | 8pm

Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavillion, Haliburton

ARIADNE AUF NAXOS

What happens when a light hearted circus group and a serious opera company are unexpectedly thrust into a situation where they have to perform exactly at the same time?..! Join us for R. Strauss' hilarious sitcom of an opera, presented in German, with English Surtitles.
(CELEBRITY PERFORMER as Master of Ceremonies TBA)

August 22nd & 26th | 7:30pm | August 24th & 25th | 2pm

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Lighting safety is a bright idea

During the holiday season, it's important to enjoy time spent with family and friends. It is also the time of year where most Canadians are using a lot of electricity with additional Christmas lights on, the furnace running, space heaters on, the stove cooking dinner, plugging in your vehicles so they start and all the new gadgets getting plugged in for us or charging.

National Home Fire Safety Week is November 24-30 and this year, the Canada Safety Council is partnering with Danatec to ensure that Canadians are taking steps to keep their holiday celebrations free of unexpected tragedy. An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure, so take a few minutes to familiarize yourself with these electrical safety tips:

Don't use damaged extension cords. Whether it's because you were shovelling the snow or pulling too hard on the extension cord, sometimes the cord gets damaged. If your extension cord is damaged at the plug or the sheathing, do not use the cord. The damage may cause you to get an electric shock. Repairing the cord with electrical tape is not recommended and will not ensure that it is safe to use the cord in the long run.

Use timers on outdoor lights. Using timers for your outdoor holiday lights is not only a great way to ensure that they are on before you're home, but is also a great way to be environmentally conscious. A timer will also shut off the lights before you go to bed, saving you money on your power bill. You won't even have to leave the comfort of your own home to plug or unplug the lights. Turning off the lights before going to bed prevents the light bulbs from overheating in the night, and setting them on a timer ensures that it's not a task that might slip your mind.

Don't plug in more than one space heater into an outlet. Whether it's at home or in the office, outlets can only handle one portable space heater. As soon as you plug in that second one, you'll trip the breaker. Most home outlets are rated for only a single 12 amp or 1500 watt load. Check your space heater and any other electrical device that you're plugging to ensure it doesn't exceed this rating.

Plug in your outdoor lights to ground-fault circuit interrupter (GFCI) outlets. Most modern houses have GFCI outlets on the exterior of your home to plug in holiday lights and other electrical equipment. The benefit of a GFCI outlet is electric shock protection for you when using portable cord- and-plug connected electrical equipment in an indoor or outdoor environment.

This is especially true around wet environments, which is why you'll typically find GFCI outlets in kitchens, bathrooms and on the outside of your house. The GFCI outlet trips when there is an electrical current on an unintended path – through water, for instance. Considering it's winter and there's always snow around the corner, make sure you always plug your holiday lights into GFCI outlets.

Hit that test and reset button. While we're on the topic of GFCI outlets, think of hitting that test and reset button before you plug in your device. You want the GFCI to work to protect you from being electrocuted should there ever be an electrical fault. Consider doing this in the bathrooms in your house and on outside outlets at least once a month or ask your family or guests to test the GFCI before they use the outlet. It's better to ensure the protection is working long before you need it.

In coordination with the Canada Safety Council's 100th anniversary celebrations, Danatec is offering a limited time anniversary deal on online safety courses. Visit https://canadasafetycouncil.org/product/100th-anniversary-special-bundle/ for a bundle discount on our most popular online training courses. The Canada Safety Council and Danatec wish you a happy and safe holiday season!

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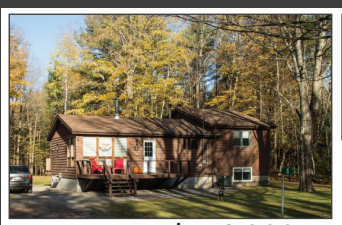

Jennifer Bacon*
Dean Michel*
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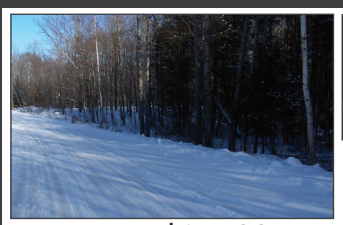

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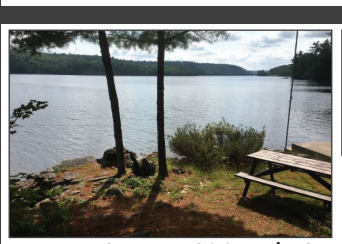

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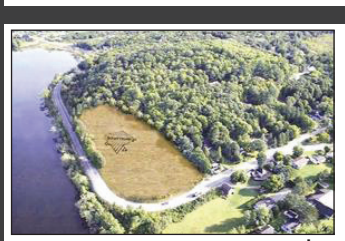

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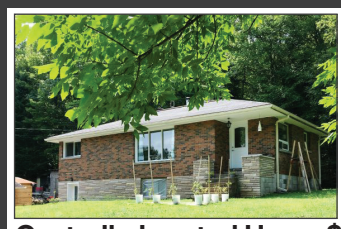

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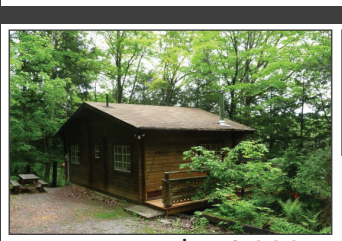

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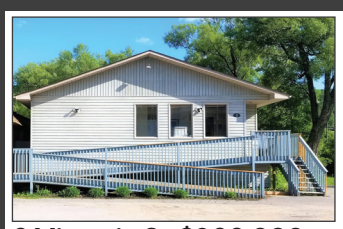

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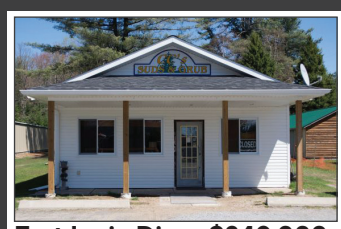

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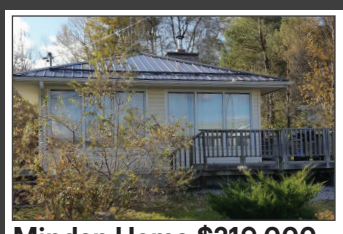
- Main-floor living on low maintenance lot
- Close to Minden Village, on town water & sewers



David Lee*
286-2138 x 27

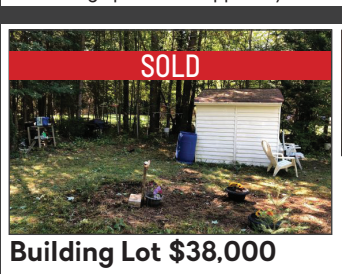
Minden Home $219,000

- Great in Town starter or retirement home
- 3 bedrooms fireplace with insert
- Large private deck

Brandon Nimigon*
457-2128 x 27

Kashagawigamog Lake $74,900

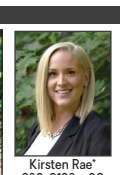
- Fractional Ownership,4 Season, 3 Bedrooms
- Fixed week, 2nd week of July, & 4 rotating weeks
- On our premier 5 lake chain, 45+ miles of boating!



Karen Nimigon**
457-2128 x 29

Building Lot $38,000

- Level lot, mins to Minden & Kinmount
- On year-round road, driveway roughed in
- Hydro at the property line, good privacy



Kirsten Rae*
286-2138 x 30

Esson Creek $389,000

- Clean & tidy year round home on the water
- Nicely finished 3 bdrm, picturesque property
- Updates include floors, kitchen and bathroom

Darlene Reil*
447-2055

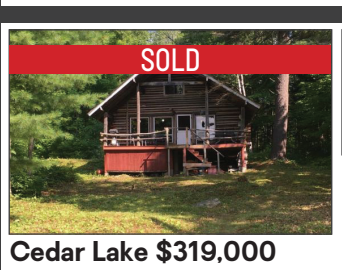
Harcourt Home $239,900

- Unique, must see, 2-bedroom home
- Several out buildings, including studio
- Sitting on over 50 acres

Christine Sharp*
286-2138 x59

Residential Listings

- High demand area
- Many buyers in need
- Call Chris if you're looking to List



Greg Stamp*
457-2128 x 28

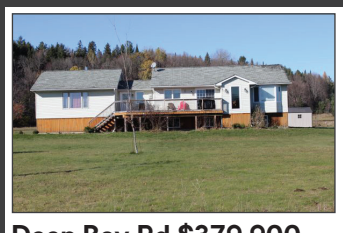
Cedar Lake $319,000

- A true Canadian classic 3 bdrm log cottage
- Open main level with a view of the lot & lake
- 26 ctges on the lake, surrounded by crown land

Melanie Vigrass*
286-2138 x 32

Maple Lake $449,000

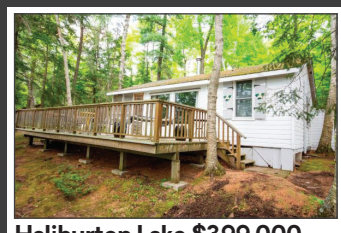
- 3 Bdrm/1 bath winterized cottage/home
- Extensively Renovated, Stunning Views
- South Exp, Sand Shoreline, 0.42 Acres

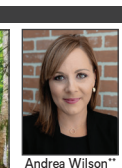


Lindsay Wilkinson*
286-2138 x 23

Deep Bay Rd $379,900

- 5 Bdrm, 3 bath home on 1.5 acre level lot
- Great home for large or growing family
- Minutes from Minden, but not "in town"





Andrea Wilson**
457-2128 x 25

Haliburton Lake $399,000

- Tidy classic 3 bdrm cottage, South West Exp
- Sand shoreline & deep water of the dock
- Beautiful deck area at the lake!

With offices located in Haliburton 705-457-2128, Minden 705-286-2138, Carnarvon (705) 489-9968, Kennisis/Redstone 705-754-1932, Wilberforce 705-448-2311, Dorset 705-766-2422

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2018 RAM 1500 SXT

4X4 / HEMI / CREW CAB / BLUETOOTH / TOW / REMOTE ENTRY / CRUISE CONTROL / SATELLITE RADIO!

WAS $53,221

NOW ONLY $33,999

OR $100/WK

2018 RAM 1500 TRADESMAN ECODIESEL

4X4 / QUAD CAB / DIESEL / BLUETOOTH / BACKUP CAM / TOW / BEDLINER / SATELLITE RADIO!

WAS $55,346

NOW ONLY $38,999

OR $115/WK

2018 RAM 1500 SLT

4X4 / QUAD CAB / HEMI / BLUETOOTH / BACKUP CAM / TOW / PWR DRIVER'S SEAT / SATELLITE RADIO!

WAS $55,447

NOW ONLY $38,999

OR $115/WK

2018 RAM 1500 OUTDOORSMAN

4X4 / CREW CAB / HEMI / BLUETOOTH / BACKUP CAM / TOW / PWR DRIVER'S SEAT / SATELLITE RADIO!

WAS $56,157

NOW ONLY $39,999

OR $118/WK

2018 RAM 1500 EXPRESS

4X4 / CREW CAB / HEMI / LEVELING KIT / BLUETOOTH / TOW / BACKUP CAM / CRUISE CONTROL / SATELLITE RADIO!

WAS $56,652

NOW ONLY $41,999

OR $124/WK

2018 RAM 1500 OUTDOORSMAN

4X4 / CREW CAB / HEMI / BLUETOOTH / BACKUP CAM / HTD SEATS / REMOTE START / TOW!

WAS $58,936

NOW ONLY $42,999

OR $126/WK

2018 RAM 1500 SLT ECODIESEL

4X4 / QUAD CAB / DIESEL / BLUETOOTH / BACKUP CAM / TOW / REMOTE ENTRY / SATELLITE RADIO!

WAS $58,916

NOW ONLY $42,999

OR $126/WK

2018 RAM 1500 OUTDOORSMAN ECODIESEL

4X4 / CREW CAB / DIESEL / LEATHER / BLUETOOTH / BACKUP CAM / NAV / HTD SEATS / BEDLINER!

WAS $64,561

NOW ONLY $47,999

OR $141/WK

2018 RAM 1500 OUTDOORSMAN ECODIESEL

4X4 / CREW CAB / DIESEL / LEATHER / NAV / BLUETOOTH / BACKUP CAM / HTD SEATS / BEDLINER!

WAS $64,561

NOW ONLY $47,999

OR $141/WK

2018 RAM 1500 BIG HORN ECODIESEL

4X4 / CREW CAB / DIESEL / LEATHER / BLUETOOTH / BACKUP CAM / HTD SEATS / BEDLINER / SATELLITE RADIO!

WAS $64,786

NOW ONLY $47,999

OR $141/WK

2018 RAM 1500 BIG HORN ECODIESEL

4X4 / CREW CAB / DIESEL / LEATHER / BLUETOOTH / BACKUP CAM / HTD SEATS / BEDLINER / SATELLITE RADIO!

WAS $64,786

NOW ONLY $47,999

OR $141/WK

2018 RAM 1500 LARAMIE

4X4 / CREW CAB / HEMI / LEATHER / NAV / BLUETOOTH / SUNROOF / HTD & VENTED SEATS / PWR SEATS!

WAS $67,737

NOW ONLY $49,999

OR $147/WK

2018 RAM 2500 SXT

4X4 / MANUAL / CUMMINS DIESEL / CREW CAB / BLUETOOTH / BACKUP CAM / BEDLINER / TOW!

WAS $70,077

NOW ONLY $61,999

OR $182/WK

2018 RAM 2500 OUTDOORSMAN

4X4 / CREW CAB / CUMMINS DIESEL / NAV / BLUETOOTH / REMOTE START / BACKUP CAM!

WAS $81,776

NOW ONLY $72,999

OR $214/WK

2018 JEEP WRANGLER SPORT

4X4 / BLUETOOTH / BACKUP CAM / PUSH BUTTON START / HARD TOP!

WAS $39,947

NOW ONLY $37,999

OR $112/WK

2018 JEEP WRANGLER JK UNLIMITED GOLDEN EAGLE

4X4 / BRASS RIMS / REMOTE ENTRY / BLUETOOTH / SATELLITE RADIO / HARD TOP!

WAS $50,931

NOW ONLY $43,999

OR $129/WK

2018 JEEP ALL-NEW WRANGLER UNLIMITED SPORT

4X4 / BLUETOOTH / BACKUP CAM / HTD SEATS / TOW / SATELLITE RADIO / REMOTE START!

WAS $50,746

NOW ONLY $45,999

OR $135/WK

2018 JEEP ALL-NEW WRANGLER UNLIMITED SPORT

4X4 / HTD SEATS / BLUETOOTH / BACKUP CAM / TOW / SATELLITE RADIO / REMOTE START!

WAS $50,991

NOW ONLY $45,999

OR $135/WK

2018 JEEP WRANGLER JK UNLIMITED SAHARA

4X4 / LEATHER / HTD SEATS / NAV / BLUETOOTH / DUAL TOP / TOW / SATELLITE RADIO!

WAS $52,821

NOW ONLY $45,999

OR $135/WK

2018 JEEP WRANGLER JK UNLIMITED SAHARA

4X4 / LEATHER / HTD SEATS / BLUETOOTH / NAV / SATELLITE RADIO / REMOTE START!

WAS $53,591

NOW ONLY $46,999

OR $138/WK

2018 JEEP ALL-NEW WRANGLER UNLIMITED SAHARA

4X4 / LEATHER / HTD SEATS / BLUETOOTH / BACKUP CAM / SATELLITE RADIO / REMOTE ENTRY!

WAS $52,806

NOW ONLY $47,999

OR $141/WK

2018 JEEP ALL-NEW WRANGLER UNLIMITED SPORT

4X4 / BLUETOOTH / BACKUP CAM / HTD SEATS / REMOTE START / DUAL TOP / SATELLITE RADIO!

WAS $51,946

NOW ONLY $48,999

OR $144/WK

2018 JEEP ALL-NEW WRANGLER UNLIMITED SAHARA

4X4 / LEATHER / BLUETOOTH / HTD SEATS / BACKUP CAM / SATELLITE RADIO!

WAS $55,716

NOW ONLY $49,999

OR $147/WK

2018 JEEP ALL-NEW WRANGLER UNLIMITED SAHARA

4X4 / TURBO / DUAL TOP / REMOTE START / LEATHER / HTD SEATS / BLUETOOTH / BACKUP CAM!

WAS $56,121

NOW ONLY $51,999

OR $153/WK

2018 JEEP ALL-NEW WRANGLER UNLIMITED SAHARA

4X4 / TURBO / NAV / BLUETOOTH / SATELLITE RADIO / BACKUP CAM / HTD SEATS / LEATHER!

WAS $55,441

NOW ONLY $51,999

OR $153/WK

2018 JEEP ALL-NEW WRANGLER UNLIMITED SAHARA

4X4 / TURBO / LEATHER / NAV / HTD SEATS / BLUETOOTH / BACKUP CAM / DUAL TOP!

WAS $60,121

NOW ONLY $55,999

OR $165/WK

2018 JEEP COMPASS ALTITUDE

4X4 / BLUETOOTH / BACKUP CAM / PANORAMIC SUNROOF / HTD SEATS / SATELLITE RADIO!

WAS $39,371

NOW ONLY $32,999

OR $97/WK

2018 JEEP COMPASS NORTH

4X4 / SUNROOF / HTD SEATS / NAV / BLUETOOTH / BACKUP CAM / TOW / SATELLITE RADIO!

WAS $40,466

NOW ONLY $33,999

OR $100/WK

2018 JEEP COMPASS TRAILHAWK

4X4 / BLUETOOTH / NAV / BACKUP CAM / LEATHER / SATELLITE RADIO / HTD SEATS / PANORAMIC SUNROOF!

WAS $43,261

NOW ONLY $36,999

OR $109/WK

2018 JEEP COMPASS TRAILHAWK

4X4 / LEATHER / NAV / BLUETOOTH / BACKUP CAM / PANORAMIC SUNROOF / HTD SEATS!

WAS $43,791

NOW ONLY $37,999

OR $112/WK

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4X4 / BLUETOOTH / BACKUP CAM / HTD SEATS / SATELLITE RADIO / REMOTE START!
WAS $37,486 NOW ONLY
$32,999 OR $97/WK

2018 JEEP NEW CHEROKEE NORTH
4X4 / BLUETOOTH / HTD SEATS / BACKUP CAM / REMOTE START / SATELLITE RADIO!
WAS $40,806 NOW ONLY
$33,999 OR $100/WK

2019 JEEP CHEROKEE NORTH
4X4 / BLUETOOTH / HTD SEATS / BACKUP CAM / REMOTE START / SATELLITE RADIO!
WAS $40,561 NOW ONLY
$33,999 OR $100/WK

2019 JEEP CHEROKEE NORTH
4X4 / BLUETOOTH / BACKUP CAM / HTD SEATS / REMOTE START / SATELLITE RADIO!
WAS $41,856 NOW ONLY
$34,999 OR $103/WK

2019 JEEP CHEROKEE NORTH
4X4 / BACKUP CAM / BLUETOOTH / HTD SEATS / REMOTE START / PUSH BUTTON START / SATELLITE RADIO!
WAS $41,756 NOW ONLY
$34,999 OR $103/WK

2019 JEEP CHEROKEE NORTH
4X4 / BLUETOOTH / BACKUP CAM / HTD SEATS / REMOTE START / TOW / SATELLITE RADIO!
WAS $42,106 NOW ONLY
$34,999 OR $103/WK

2019 JEEP CHEROKEE NORTH
4X4 / BLUETOOTH / BACKUP CAM / HTD SEATS / TOW / REMOTE START / SATELLITE RADIO!
WAS $42,251 NOW ONLY
$34,999 OR $103/WK

2019 JEEP CHEROKEE NORTH
4X4 / BLUETOOTH / BACKUP CAM / HTD SEATS / TOW / REMOTE START / SATELLITE RADIO!
WAS $42,251 NOW ONLY
$34,999 OR $103/WK

2019 JEEP CHEROKEE NORTH
4X4 / BLUETOOTH / BACKUP CAM / TOW / REMOTE START / HTD SEATS / SATELLITE RADIO!
WAS $42,596 NOW ONLY
$35,999 OR $106/WK

2019 JEEP NEW CHEROKEE TRAILHAWK
4X4 / LEATHER / BLUETOOTH / BACKUP CAM / HTD SEATS / NAV / PARK ASSIST / SATELLITE RADIO!
WAS $44,476 NOW ONLY
$36,999 OR $109/WK

2019 JEEP CHEROKEE NORTH
4X4 / BLUETOOTH / BACKUP CAM / HTD SEATS / SUNROOF / TOW / PUSH BUTTON START / REMOTE START!
WAS $45,116 NOW ONLY
$37,999 OR $112/WK

2019 JEEP NEW CHEROKEE TRAILHAWK
4X4 / BLUETOOTH / LEATHER / NAV / SUNROOF / BACKUP CAM / REMOTE START / TOW / HTD SEATS!
WAS $46,371 NOW ONLY
$38,999OR $115/WK

2019 JEEP NEW CHEROKEE TRAILHAWK
4X4 / BLUETOOTH / LEATHER / NAV / SUNROOF / BACKUP CAM / REMOTE START / TOW / HTD SEATS!
WAS $46,516 NOW ONLY
$38,999 OR $115/WK

2019 JEEP NEW CHEROKEE TRAILHAWK
4X4 / BLUETOOTH / LEATHER / NAV / SUNROOF / BACKUP CAM / REMOTE START / TOW / HTD SEATS!
WAS $46,546 NOW ONLY
$38,999 OR $115/WK

2019 JEEP NEW CHEROKEE LIMITED
4X4 / LEATHER / NAV / BLUETOOTH / SUNROOF / BACKUP CAM / HTD & VENTED SEATS / TOW!
WAS $48,396 NOW ONLY
$40,999 OR $121/WK

2019 JEEP NEW CHEROKEE LIMITED
4X4 / LEATHER / BLUETOOTH / NAV / SUNROOF / BACKUP CAM / HTD & VENTED SEATS / TOW!
WAS $49,361 NOW ONLY
$41,999 OR $124/WK

2019 JEEP NEW CHEROKEE TRAILHAWK ELITE
4X4 / LEATHER / BACKUP CAM / BLUETOOTH / SUNROOF / NAV / HTD SEATS / PARK ASSIST / TOW!
WAS $48,991 NOW ONLY
$41,999 OR $124/WK

2019 JEEP NEW CHEROKEE TRAILHAWK ELITE
4X4 / BLUETOOTH / LEATHER / NAV / BACKUP CAM / PARK ASSIST / TOW / HTD SEATS / SUNROOF!
WAS $48,816 NOW ONLY
$41,999 OR $124/WK

2019 JEEP NEW CHEROKEE LIMITED
4X4 / LEATHER / BLUETOOTH / NAV / SUNROOF / BACKUP CAM / HTD & VENTED SEATS / TOW!
WAS $49,216 NOW ONLY
$41,999 OR $124/WK

2019 JEEP GRAND CHEROKEE TRAILHAWK
4X4 / HEMI / LEATHER / SUNROOF / BLUETOOTH / NAV / HTD & VTD SEATS / BACKUP CAM!
WAS $68,606 NOW ONLY
$59,999 OR $176/WK

2019 JEEP COMPASS TRAILHAWK
4X4 / LEATHER / BLUETOOTH / NAV / HTD SEATS / BACKUP CAM / TOW / SATELLITE RADIO!
WAS $44,211 NOW ONLY
$42,999 OR $126/WK

2019 RAM 1500 CLASSIC SXT
4X4 / V6 / CREW CAB / BACKUP CAM / REMOTE ENTRY / CRUISE CONTROL / SATELLITE RADIO!
WAS $51,621 NOW ONLY
$38,999 OR $115/WK

2019 RAM 1500 CLASSIC SXT
4X4 / V6 / CREW CAB / BACKUP CAM / SATELLITE RADIO / REMOTE ENTRY / CRUISE CONTROL!
WAS $51,621 NOW ONLY
$38,999 OR $115/WK

2019 RAM ALL-NEW 1500 SXT
4X4 / V6 / QUAD CAB / BLUETOOTH / BACKUP CAM / TOW / REMOTE ENTRY / SATELLITE RADIO!
WAS $51,436 NOW ONLY
$39,999 OR $118/WK

2019 RAM ALL-NEW 1500 TRADESMAN
4X4 / HEMI / QUAD CAB / BLUETOOTH / BACKUP CAM / REMOTE ENTRY!
WAS $51,871 NOW ONLY
$39,999 OR $118/WK

2019 RAM ALL-NEW 1500 SXT
4X4 / HEMI / QUAD CAB / BLUETOOTH / BACKUP CAM / REMOTE ENTRY / TONNEAU COVER!
WAS $54,161 NOW ONLY
$41,999 OR $124/WK

2019 RAM 1500 CLASSIC EXPRESS BLACKOUT
4X4 / HEMI / QUAD CAB / REMOTE ENTRY / BLUETOOTH / BACKUP CAM / TOW / SATELLITE RADIO!
WAS $52,446 NOW ONLY
$41,999 OR $124/WK

2019 RAM 1500 CLASSIC EXPRESS BLACKOUT
4X4 / HEMI / QUAD CAB / BLUETOOTH / BACKUP CAM / TOW / REMOTE ENTRY / SATELLITE RADIO!
WAS $52,691 NOW ONLY
$41,999 OR $124/WK

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WAS $54,016

NOW ONLY $41,999

OR $124/WK

2019 RAM 1500 CLASSIC EXPRESS

4X4 / HEMI / QUAD CAB / SPORT HOOD / BLUETOOTH / BACKUP CAM / TONNEAU COVER / TOW!

WAS $53,236

NOW ONLY $42,999

OR $127/WK

2019 RAM 1500 CLASSIC EXPRESS BLACKOUT

4X4 / HEMI / CREW CAB / BLUETOOTH / BACKUP CAM / REMOTE ENTRY / SATELLITE RADIO!

WAS $53,371

NOW ONLY $42,999

OR $127/WK

2019 RAM 1500 CLASSIC EXPRESS

4X4 / QUAD CAB / HEMI / SPORT HOOD / BLUETOOTH / BACKUP CAM / TOW / SATELLITE RADIO!

WAS $53,336

NOW ONLY $42,999

OR $127/WK

2019 RAM 1500 CLASSIC EXPRESS BLACKOUT

4X4 / HEMI / QUAD CAB / SPORT HOOD / BLUETOOTH / BACKUP CAM / TONNEAU COVER / TOW!

WAS $52,586

NOW ONLY $42,999

OR $127/WK

2019 RAM 1500 CLASSIC EXPRESS BLACKOUT

4X4 / HEMI / QUAD CAB / SPORT HOOD / BLUETOOTH / BACKUP CAM / TONNEAU COVER / TOW!

WAS $52,761

NOW ONLY $42,999

OR $127/WK

2019 RAM 1500 CLASSIC EXPRESS BLACKOUT

4X4 / HEMI / QUAD CAB / SPORT HOOD / BLUETOOTH / BACKUP CAM / TONNEAU COVER / TOW!

WAS $52,486

NOW ONLY $42,999

OR $127/WK

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4X4 / HEMI / QUAD CAB / BLUETOOTH / BACKUP CAM / TOW / REMOTE ENTRY!

WAS $52,721

NOW ONLY $42,999

OR $127/WK

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OR $127/WK

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WAS $52,731

NOW ONLY $42,999

OR $127/WK

2019 RAM 1500 CLASSIC EXPRESS BLACKOUT

4X4 / HEMI / CREW CAB / SPORT HOOD / BLUETOOTH / BACKUP CAM / REMOTE ENTRY!

WAS $54,291

NOW ONLY $43,999

OR $129/WK

2019 RAM 1500 CLASSIC EXPRESS BLACKOUT

4X4 / HEMI / CREW CAB / SPORT HOOD / BLUETOOTH / BACKUP CAM / REMOTE ENTRY!

WAS $54,466

NOW ONLY $44,999

OR $132/WK

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OR $132/WK

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4X4 / HEMI / CREW CAB / SPORT HOOD / BLUETOOTH / BACKUP CAM / REMOTE ENTRY!

WAS $54,191

NOW ONLY $44,999

OR $132/WK

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WAS $54,291

NOW ONLY $44,999

OR $132/WK

2019 RAM 1500 CLASSIC EXPRESS BLACKOUT

4X4 / HEMI / CREW CAB / SPORT HOOD / BLUETOOTH / BACKUP CAM / REMOTE ENTRY!

WAS $54,436

NOW ONLY $44,999

OR $132/WK

2019 RAM 1500 CLASSIC SLT

4X4 / HEMI / CREW CAB / REMOTE ENTRY / BLUETOOTH / BACKUP CAM / SATELLITE RADIO!

WAS $56,396

NOW ONLY $46,999

OR $138/WK

2019 RAM 1500 CLASSIC SLT

4X4 / HEMI / CREW CAB / REMOTE ENTRY / BLUETOOTH / BACKUP CAM / SATELLITE RADIO!

WAS $56,64

NOW ONLY $46,999

OR $138/WK

2019 RAM ALL-NEW 1500 BIG HORN

4X4 / V6 / CREW CAB / BLUETOOTH / HTD SEATS / TOW / REMOTE START / BACKUP CAM!

WAS $58,311

NOW ONLY $46,999

OR $138/WK

2019 RAM ALL-NEW 1500 REBEL

4X4 / QUAD CAB / HEMI / BLUETOOTH / BACKUP CAM / TOW / HTD SEATS / SATELLITE RADIO / PWR ADJUSTABLE PEDALS!

WAS $65,061

NOW ONLY $52,999

OR $156/WK

2019 RAM ALL-NEW 1500 REBEL

4X4 / QUAD CAB / HEMI / BLUETOOTH / BACKUP CAM / TOW / HTD SEATS / SATELLITE RADIO / PWR ADJUSTABLE PEDALS!

WAS $65,031

NOW ONLY $52,999

OR $156/WK

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Hillary gets warm welcome in Minden

by Jerry Grozelle

The opportunity to meet a world famous adventurer drew more than 700 people of all ages to Archie Stouffer Elementary School on November 6.

Sir Edmund Hillary, who is best known as the first man to reach the summit of Mount Everest, paid a visit to Minden on the invitation of the Minden and Haliburton Rotary Clubs. Hillary was a member of the first motorized party to reach the South Pole and he has also scaled other mountains that presented unusual challenges.

The visit to Minden was a fund-raiser for the Sir Edmund Hillary Foundation. The Canadian Foundation, which was founded by former pro football player Zeke O'Connor, raises funds to build schools, hospitals and medical clinics in Nepal. It also provides funding for a reforestation program in the Himalayas. O'Connor gave a brief overview of the foundation's goals.

The Haliburton County Concert Band and the Times Four Saxophone Quartet entertained the audience prior to Hillary's presentation. As a special treat, Nima McElhinney Sherpa, formerly of Nepal and now living in Hamilton, Ontario, performed a traditional Nepalese song and dance.

Dr. Mingma Gyelzen Sherpa and his wife Phulhamu Sherpa accompanied Hillary. Dressed in traditional clothing of Nepal, they were available to talk to those who attended the function. The doctor expressed the appreciation of the people of Nepal for Canada's support in providing education and medical aid through the Sir Edmund Hillary Foundation.

Hillary's presentation included a slide show with some spectacular photographs from actual treks on Everest and other formidable mountains. It also showed the people of Nepal and what has been accomplished there with the help of Canadian funding and support from many other countries.

"I spend almost no time at all thinking about what happened in the past," Hillary told the audience at ASES. "There's

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Hundreds lined up for autographs from Sir Edmund Hillary Nov.6 at Archie Stouffer school in Minden. Minden and Haliburton Rotary clubs arranged for Hillary's visit. The event was to raise funds for school and hospital projects in Nepal.

Hospital stays open

Emergency ward hours reduced again

By Andrew Milne

Minden hospital's hours of operation will be reduced to 12 per day, effective the end of the month.

The 12 hour operation will continue at least until the end of the fiscal year, at the end of March, 1996.

St. Joseph's of Peterborough, Minden's parent hospital, had announced last week that the facility would be closed. The Ministry of Health (MOH), however, in meetings with St. Joseph's November 8, told St. Joseph's they could not reduce the hours of operation of the emergency ward below 12 hours per day.

St. Joseph's said the move was due to financial pressures, brought on by the necessity of bringing physicians to Minden from outside the community in order to keep the wards open.

No additional financial support has been pledged by the ministry in concert with the decision. St. Joseph's has previously stated that continuing to run the ward for the rest of the year, in the absence of local doctors, would force them into running a deficit of hundreds of thousands of dollars, on top of the Minden facility's relatively modest $1.3 million annual expenditures budget.

Foster Loucks, director of the hospital, says he expects the 12 hour operation will be manageable, from a staffing point of view. Some of the doctors currently on the rotation, especially some coming from as far away as Barrie, might decide it's no longer worth their while, he says, but he expects enough doctors will be interested in staffing the hospital to keep it running.

The Ministry's move, says MOH spokesperson Paul Kilbertus, was due to information in a preliminary draft of the local Acting Health Services Board's (AHSB's) role study, which strongly suggested 12 hours are the absolute minimum hours of service for an urgent care facility in Minden.

Kilbertus also said the Ministry was surprised and disappointed at St. Joseph's announcement of last week.

Community leaders expressed qualified relief at the development.

Said Somerville Township reeve John Huke of the service reduction, "Well it's certainly going to create problems. There's no doubt about that... But I think it's great that it's going to stay open, even if it's only 12 hours. I guess half a loaf is better than none."

Areas of Northern Victoria county along the highway 35 corridor will be as much as 50 km from an open emergency ward during the hours Minden is closed. Ambulances will not generally be routed to the facility, and the blue highway signs marking the facility will be taken down.

Paul Heffer, chair of the AHSB, said he was also relieved. The AHSB has previously stated that, should Minden's facility be entirely closed, it would make it extremely difficult for them to set up urgent care in the area after they take over responsibility for the hospitals — an event expected sometime in 1996 or 1997.

Said Heffer, "We definitely needed the support of the Ministry to go forward with our initiative. If everything had been shut down here, people would have been so discouraged about the health care availability in the community, it would have been just devastating."

Heffer also said the current situation is less than desireable.

Said Heffer, "There's certainly going to be perhaps times when you won't have the optimum coverage that we would like to have in place. The ambulance service people are definitely aware of the reduced numbers of hours, and they do have some time to plan around that as far as how they will handle that. It may require moving some of their ambulances around, having them on

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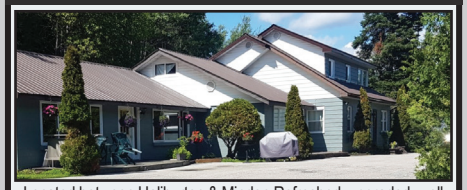

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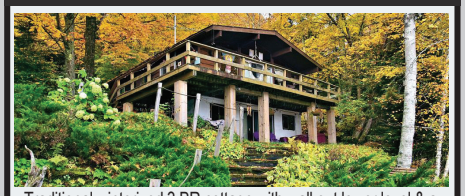

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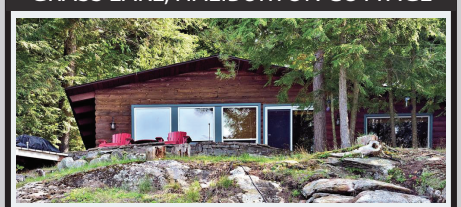

Village Convenience~Country Charm! Cozy turnkey 2BR cottage plus cute log-look Bunkie! Open concept, pine finish, woodstove. Beautiful west exposure & view. Steps to waterfront, sitting deck and dock. Lake water & septic.

$459,900

VACANT LAND

Twist Lane, 1/2 Ac Lot	$25,000
North Shore Rd Lot, 2.8 Ac	$49,000
Wigamog Road, 1 Acre	$49,900
Cty Rd 21, 44 Acres	$375,000

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Four Reasons to List During The Winter

1. People who look for a home during the winter are more serious buyers
2. Buyers have more time to look for a home during the winter
3. Serious buyers have fewer houses to choose from during the winter, so you have less competition
4. Houses "Show Better" when decorated during the holidays

By listing now you may have fewer actual showings, but more qualified and motivated buyers. You have less competition, resulting in a quicker sale and a better price for you.

Do you need assistance selling your home?
Start by Calling Linda Baumgartner and
The Haliburton Real Estate Team today!

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